

Council on Developmental Services

# Waiting List

Department of Developmental Services

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## Overall Progress

- Waiting List Movement  
1,559 people moved over 5 years.
- Waiver Development
  - Comprehensive waiver revised
  - Individual and Family Support waiver developed
  - Waiver manual developed and revised
  - LON process refined.

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SFY	FUNDED	OPPORTUNE	CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS YEAR	TOTAL
05	175	102		277
06	166	50		216
07	177	127		304
08	228	143	16	387
09	198	167	10	375
TOTAL	944	589	26	1,559

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## Of the Total Number of people Served:

- 1,007 from home
  - 663 new
  - 344 opportune
  - 501 individuals received Enhanced Family Support
- 552 underserved
  - 307 new
  - 245 opportune

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	Goal	Number Served	Difference
From Home New Resources	600	663	+63
Underserved New Resources	150	307	+157
Opportune	375	589	+214
TOTAL	1,125	1,559	+434

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## How Were People Served?

<b>IHS</b>	<b>68%</b>
<b>CLA</b>	<b>26%</b>
<b>CTH</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>1.5%</b>

### What was the DDS resource commitment?

The Governor and legislature allocated:

\$37.5 M for the Waiting List.

\$3.5 M for Enhanced Family Support (EFS).

**\$41 M**

DDS reused:

\$50.4 M to support people on the Waiting List.

\$32.3 M for individuals who were underserved.

\$18.1 M for individuals with no service.

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## Other Developments

- Revised the Waiting List to include people who are underserved.
- Increase the number of people who self-direct their services and supports to 1,178.
- Started the Voluntary Services Program (VSP), which now serves over 450 children and adolescents.
- Increased the number of case managers and reduced caseload ratios for individuals receiving waiver services.
- Developed a waiver manual to assure the department meets all waiver requirements.

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## Other Developments *continued*

- Added needed waiver services including:
  - Health services coordination
  - Live-in companion
  - Behavioral consultation.
- Established consistent resource allocation procedures in the regions through the Planning and Resource Allocation Teams (PRAT).
- Developed the Level of Need (LON) Assessment tool to determine the amount of resource allocation based on need and identify health and safety risks.
- Developed Roommates Connecticut.



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- The Waiting List was 645 (people from home) at the start of the initiative.
- It peaked to 751 in December 2005.
- It was 482 at the end of the initiative.
- This is a decrease of almost 35% from its height.
- The planning list has increased over the 5 years.

## Current Waiting List (10/01/09)

### Active on Waitlist\* by Age Range

Age Range	Nbr. Consumers	Pct. Consumers
0-21	135	27%
22-29	153	31%
30-39	69	14%
40-49	75	15%
50-59	49	10%
60-69	14	3%
70-79	4	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Waitlist defined as consumers residing at Fam. or IL with targets of NSVC, EFS, EFSU and Priority of E/1.

### Length of Time at Current Priority

Priority E	Nbr. Consumers	Pct. Consumers
0-90 days	3	17%
91-180 days	5	28%
181-365 days	4	22%
1-2 Years	5	28%
Over 2 Years	1	6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>100%</b>

Priority 1	Nbr. Consumers*	Pct. Consumers
0-11 Mos.	139	29%
12-24 Mos.	119	25%
25-36 Mos.	62	13%
Over 3 Years	162	34%
<b>Total</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>100%</b>

\*Total includes one consumer planned for by 2 Regions.

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## Connecticut Demographics

- Connecticut was losing population but current projections show a flat trend:
  - 2% growth by 2020 compared to 4% growth nationally.
- Median age is increasing more rapidly in Connecticut compared to national data. By 2015, 42.7 compared to 38.
- This may keep overall demand for service low but will increase the adult caseload as caregivers age.
- Residential demand is projected to be 218 individuals per year.

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## Connecticut Demographics *continued*

Projecting a reuse of vacancies, the department needs funding for 100 people each year.

To eliminate the Waiting List would require more resources. If funding remained for 150, the Waiting List would be fully served in 9 years.

Thank You